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[REDACTED] Briefing of Iraqi Delegation

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1. The original request for the subject briefing came to [REDACTED] shop in DD/P. The request was for a quick preparation of written material which could be used by the DD/P in briefing an Iraqi Delegation which was in the United States but would soon be returning to Iraq.

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2. [REDACTED] discussed the request with me, indicated that he thought a relatively limited effort was required, and suggested that they would have a draft prepared immediately under the open-end project which we have for DD/P support. Later the same day, or earlier the following day, [REDACTED] indicated that DD/P wanted 25X1A9a to have someone from our own shop brief these people in person and that only a matter of hours would be available for preparation of the presentation. [REDACTED] who had been assigned the project 25X1A9a by [REDACTED] was proposed to give this briefing. I indicated that 25X1A9a I concurred in this assignment.

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3. I had been told by [REDACTED] that the Iraqi Delegation was here under the ICA leadership program and that most of these people were in extremely responsible positions in Iraq. Post-briefing observation of the positions held by these people confirmed the initial estimate.

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4. A day or two after the preparation of the briefing notes (a total lapse time of about three days from the time this project was laid on), [REDACTED] delivered the briefing. The briefing was presented under ICA sponsorship. [REDACTED] using a pseudo, at the Mayflower Hotel. The briefing consisted of a presentation of the film, The Ruble War. Enlarging on the theme presented in this film, [REDACTED] spoke for about an hour from the attached notes. Following this presentation, he answered questions raised by the Delegation for about a half-hour to an hour. His reaction and that received from DD/P indicate that the Delegates seemed very interested and impressed by the presentation.

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